

# New Media Representative Appointed

From the KBI Director

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Dear Media Colleagues:

As you may be aware, Senior Special Agent Scott Teeselink is retiring from the KBI after many years of service to the people of Kansas. Among Scott's many talents were his communication skills and so it was not surprising to any of you who knew him that he served as our public information officer. His retirement will be a great loss to this agency and I am sure he will be missed by many of you.

The purpose of this letter is to advise you that Kyle Smith has been appointed to follow Scott as our media representative. Kyle has been appointed as the Director of Public and Governmental Affairs and will also serve as our liaison to the legislature. Let me assure you that Kyle shares my belief that you are, indeed, our colleagues, that both the media and law enforcement are here to serve the public. Whenever possible, within the needs of an investigation and legal restrictions, we will strive to provide you as much information about our investigations and other KBI functions as quickly as possible.

Kyle Smith has been with the KBI for 14 years and prior to that was an assistant county attorney in Emporia, Kansas. At the KBI he has served as a Special Agent and as an Assistant Attorney General, and is familiar with most aspects of operations here at the KBI. I am sure you will find him well informed regarding most activities at the KBI and with an attitude to help you obtain what information he does not personally possess.

Kyle may be contacted at: phone number 785-296-8211; fax number 785-296-0915; e-mail [ksmith@kbi.state.ks.us](mailto:ksmith@kbi.state.ks.us). We now have a Media Release web page located at [www.kbi.state.ks.us/mediareleases/media.html](http://www.kbi.state.ks.us/mediareleases/media.html), on which media releases, legislative information and other items of interest involving the KBI will be posted. In an emergency, after working hours, KBI communications, phone number 785-296-8262, can normally find him.

I know the KBI enjoys an excellent reputation and relationship with all media within Kansas. I want that tradition to continue and improve. My philosophy has always been that "No Comment" is indeed, a comment. And a negative one at that. Kyle shares that opinion.

Sincerely,

Larry Welch  
Director